WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE September 28, 2022

<u>Call to Order:</u> The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Ways & Means Committee Chairman Brooke Harris.

Roll Call: B. Harris, D. Fanton, J. Burdick, P. Curran, S. Havey, J. Ricci, D. Root, P. Stockin

<u>Other Attendees:</u> G. Barnes, T. Boyde, A. Carrow, A. Cyr, K. Dirlam, S. Grantier, G. Hanchett, D. Healy, K. Hooker, C. Knapp, T. Linn, J. McKnight, J. Ricketts-Swales, B. Riehle, T. Ross, J. Rumfelt

Approval of Audit

Committee members reviewed the September 28, 2022, audit of claims in the amount of \$2,727,184.20 (including prepaid bills). A motion was made by Legislator Fanton, seconded by Legislator Havey, and carried to forward the audit to the full Board for approval of payment.

Resolution Setting the Annual Salary of Assistant County Attorney

Allegany County Attorney Allison Carrow requested a resolution to amend paragraph number 7 of Resolution No. 322-21, which approved the Section IV Salary Plan for 2022, to set the annual salary of Assistant County Attorney (1) to \$85,700. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Demick, seconded by Legislator Root, and carried. *Prepare Resolution*

REFERRALS

Public Safety

Probation Director Scott Grantier requested a resolution to fill one full-time Senior Probation Officer (AFSCME bargaining unit, Grade: 20, Step: Base to 7) and any resulting backfills in the Probation Department pending approval to create the position at the Board meeting this afternoon. The annual salary of this position is funded with 89 percent County funds, 11 percent State funds, and is estimated to be between \$48,278.05 and \$62,033.97. The annual benefits are funded with 100 percent County funds and are estimated to be between \$21,068.54 and \$27,071.62. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Havey, seconded by Legislator Fanton, and carried. **Notify Human Resources**

Resource Management

Legislator Brooke Harris, in accordance with the Allegany County Comprehensive Plan, requested a resolution committing American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding to improve access to County Forest Lands. The proposed improvements include:

- Gravel public parking areas
- Signage and informational kiosks
- Protective barriers to access roads
- Picnic areas/pavilions.

These improvements are intended to:

- Improve access to county-owned public lands,
- Increase outdoor recreational opportunities.
- Expand awareness of the WNY Wilds brand, and
- Encourage future trail development

The lots to be improved upon include C. Horner Lot, Dixon Lot, Engle Lots, Helmer/Neetz Lots, Metz/Griffin Lots, and Travis Lot. In total, these properties encompass 1,272 acres, and reside within or border six townships (Allen, Almond, Angelica, Birdsall, Grove, and West Almond).

The estimated expenses are \$321,000 to be drawn from existing APRA funds. The construction portion of the proposal could be substantially reduced if we use stock gravel and do not charge for labor and equipment. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Root, seconded by Legislator Burdick, and carried. *Prepare Resolution*

Good of the Order

Majority Leader Steven Havey announced that a caucus would begin at 1:15 p.m. in the Legislative Chambers.

<u>Adjournment</u>

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:05 p.m. following a motion by Legislator Demick, seconded by Legislator Burdick, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany Linn, Confidential Secretary Allegany County Board of Legislators